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15	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	) NO. CR-25-0003-YGR ) [FILED JANUARY 9, 2025]
16	Plaintiff,	) )
17	v.	) )
18 19	SHENG THAO, ANDRE JONES, DAVID TRUNG DUONG, and ANDY HUNG DUONG,	) ) ) )
<ul><li>20</li><li>21</li></ul>	Defendants.	
<ul><li>22</li><li>23</li><li>24</li><li>25</li></ul>	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  Plaintiff,  v.	) NO. CR-25-0358-AMO ) [FILED OCTOBER 28, 2025] ) NOTICE OF POTENTIALLY RELATED CASE IN A CRIMINAL ACTION
26 27	BRYAN AZEVEDO,  Defendant.	) ) )
28	NOTICE OF POTENTIALLY RELATED CASE U.S. v. THAO et al.; U.S. v. AZEVEDO	ES v. 7/10/2018

The United States of America, through undersigned counsel, submits this notice pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 8-1.

In an Indictment returned and filed on January 9, 2025 (United States v. Sheng Thao, et al., 25-CR-0003-YGR), defendants Sheng Thao, Andre Jones, David Duong, and Andy Duong are charged with conspiracy to commit bribery in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371; bribery concerning programs receiving federal funds in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(B) or 18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(2); conspiracy to commit honest services mail and wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349; honest services mail fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341, 1346; and honest services wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1343, 1346. Andy Duong was also charged with one count of making false statements to government agents in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2). The Indictment alleges that leading up to the 2022 Oakland mayoral election, and following her election as mayor, Thao engaged in a corrupt relationship with her partner (Jones), and local businessmen, defendants David and Andy Duong. As part of the corrupt relationship, Thao promised to take official actions as mayor of Oakland to benefit David and Andy Duong's housing company and recycling company in exchange for various benefits to Thao and Jones. The Indictment also alleges that Andy Duong lied to FBI agents when questioned about payments to Jones.

In an Information filed on October 28, 2025 (United States v. Bryan Azevedo, 25-CR-0358-AMO), defendant Bryan Azevedo is charged with one count of conspiracy to commit honest services wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349 and one count of making false statements to government agents in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2). The Information alleges that between August of 2023 and June of 2024 Azevedo, a San Leandro City Councilperson, conspired with Co-Conspirator 1 and Co-Conspirator 2 to help their housing company obtain contracts from the City of San Leandro in exchange for payments to Azevedo. The Information also alleges that Azevedo lied to FBI and IRS-CI agents when questioned about whether he received cash from Co-Conspirator 1.

While the cases concern overlapping events and entities, they do not involve the same named defendants and therefore do not appear to be related within the meaning of Local Rule 8-1(b)(1). The cases may be related within the meaning of Local Rule 8-1(b)(2), as they concern overlapping events and entities. However, the government and Azevedo are close to reaching a resolution of his case and

do not expect contested pretrial litigation or a trial. Accordingly, there are unlikely to be further 2 substantive hearings until a potential change of plea or sentencing hearing, and as result the cases may not entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges within the meaning of Local Rule 3 8-1(b)(2). As such, the government respectfully defers to the Court as to whether these cases should be 4 related under Local Criminal Rule 8-1. 5 6 7 8 DATED: November 4, 2025 Respectfully submitted, 9 CRAIG H. MISSAKIAN United States Attorney 10 11 ABRAHAM FINE MOLLY K. PRIEDEMAN 12 LLOYD FARNHAM 13 Assistant United States Attorneys 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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